

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1 through 4, and 7, as follows:

1           1 (Twice amended). A bi-lingual conversion system for automatically  
2           converting a message in a first language into a message in a second language, said  
3           system comprising:

4           a computer memory for storing an incoming character stream of said first language;

5           [and]

6           a first controller for providing a first signal when each of the following conditions has

7           been satisfied: (a) an automatic conversion mode has been selected by a user,

8           (b) a space command has been detected in said incoming character stream, and

9           (c) said incoming character stream agrees with a pronunciation rule of the first

10          language; and

11          a second controller, coupled to said first controller and operating in response to receipt

12          of a said first signal, for converting said incoming character stream into a

13          character stream of said second language according to a pronunciation rule of

14          the second language when said character stream does not agree with said

15          pronunciation rule of the first language.

1           2 (Twice amended). The bi-lingual conversion system of claim 1, wherein said  
2 first language is Korean, [and] said second language is English, the pronunciation rule  
3 of the first language is a Korean pronunciation rule, and the pronunciation rule of the  
4 second language is an English pronunciation rule.

1           3 (Twice amended). The bi-lingual conversion system of claim 1, wherein said  
2 first language is English, [and] said second language is Korean, the pronunciation rule  
3 of the first language is an English pronunciation rule, and the pronunciation rule of the  
4 second language is a Korean pronunciation rule.

1           4 (Twice amended). The bi-lingual conversion system of claim 2, wherein said  
2 controller is adapted for:

3           converting a Korean character stream into English when said Korean character

4           stream does not agree with the Korean pronunciation rule;

5           converting an English character stream into Korean when said English

6           character stream does not agree with the [Korean] English pronunciation

7           rule; and

8 converting a bi-lingual character stream of Korean and English according to a  
9 predetermined priority order.

1 7 (Twice amended). The method of claim 5, adapted for use with an English  
2 pronunciation rule and a Korean pronunciation rule, wherein said step for converting  
3 said character stream comprises:

4 (a) converting a Korean character stream into English when said Korean  
5 character stream does not agree with the Korean pronunciation rule;

6 (b) converting an English character stream into Korean when said English  
7 character stream does not agree with the [Korean] English pronunciation rule; and

8 (c) converting a bi-lingual character stream according to a predetermined  
9 priority order.